

Sullivans are among city council winners



David Sullivan '74 was the only non-incumbent to be elected to the Cambridge City Council in Tuesday's election. (Photo by Jack Shipley)

By Glen Langston

Re-election of incumbents was the rule in the Cambridge City Council elections this year.

Walter Sullivan, who has served several terms as city councilor, received the most first preference votes, 2886, from the 26,891 voters. However, David Sullivan '74, who is not related to Walter Sullivan, proved a remarkable exception to the trend of incumbent victories by receiv-

ing the second greatest number of votes. David Sullivan will be the only first-term city councillor, since all other winners served last term or previous terms. The nine councillors have equal power on the council; although the ninth position was gained with only 900 votes.

The ballot count was done by hand at a Cambridge high school and the unofficial results were announced on Wednesday night. David Sullivan was present and commented on the election returns, saying that the strong turnout for pro-rent control candidates mandated that the City Council work harder for tenant rights. He thought the City Council might select a new mayor during January, when the term starts and that the Council will probably retain the current city manager.

The city councillors and mayor are called "citizen legislators", since they are not full-time public officials. The councillors receive \$12,000 a year and the mayor receives \$13,000. The city manager has the full-time job of handling the day-to-day problems of Cambridge. He receives \$50,000 a year.

The City Council currently meets on Monday nights at Cambridge and Rindge-Latin School and the public is invited to attend. The agenda is posted at Cambridge City Hall on the Friday before the meetings. A major topic at the next meeting will be the radioactive wastes at MIT and Harvard.

Analysis

Kennedy declares candidacy

By Alan Lichtenstein

Some people thought it would never happen: some thought it was inevitable. Some people awaited it as the only solution to our country's woes; some felt that it would be the worst possible thing for our country. No matter what the public thought of the prospect, after eleven long years of anticipation, Senator Edward Moore Kennedy (D-Mass.) declared his candidacy for the Presidency of the United States.

The announcement took place at Faneuil Hall in Boston at 10:30am on Tuesday. The location came as somewhat of a surprise. Both Robert and John Kennedy announced their candidacies in the Caucus Room of the Old Senate Office Building, and Capitol Hill insiders have been carefully watching for signs that Kennedy would reserve that room. Kennedy wanted Faneuil Hall from the beginning, though, and thus hoped to impart an historical legitimacy from the site of the oldest continuously operating meeting hall in America.

It began as all great media events begin: with a Dixieland band, banners, posters, large crowds, and a distinctly new twist — extremely heavy Secret Service protection. Every conceivable



Senator Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) announced his candidacy for the Democratic Party's presidential nomination Wednesday. (Photo by Kevin Osborn)

rooftop entrance, vantage point, and thoroughfare was lined with either Secret Service agents or Boston Police. Evidently, the Secret Service is especially concerned with Kennedy's safety. The event began in the rain and ended in the sun. Could it be coincidence? Perhaps, but maybe it was an omen.

In front of one of the youngest, best-dressed, most patient audiences ever assembled to

launch a candidacy, Kennedy got the ball rolling by proclaiming, "I formally announce that I'm a candidate for President of the United States."

The speech was Kennedy's sharpest attack on President Jimmy Carter to date. He started by stressing his own record in the Senate, saying that, "The Senate has provided more than an education." The general theme

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UAP berates commons Hakala supports proposed boycott on Wednesday

By Jordana Hollander

"It's ironic that at the Freshman Picnic, the President and Director of Admissions tell us how great we are and how within a very few years many of us will be world leaders, making global decisions, but somehow we now need to be told how we should eat," proclaimed Undergraduate Association President Jonathan Hakala, '81.

According to Hakala, although the Report of the Committee on Campus Dining gives some worthwhile suggestions, the main thrust of the report supporting mandatory commons "loses horribly." Hakala called the report a "smokescreen" and claims that what is "really proposed is mandatory commons with no ifs, ands, or buts. The rest is a facade and I am angry."

In response to apparent administration indifference, Hakala supports the proposed boycott of commons, emptying Lobdell Dining Hall for dinner. "The General Assembly has voted overwhelmingly to oppose mandatory commons. I personally support a dinner boycott next Wednesday. We are going to demonstrate once and for all to the administration that our op-

position to mandatory commons is very serious and near unanimous."

Hakala claims that the three main reasons given in support of a mandatory commons program are actually rationalizations not supported by fact. The introduction of mandatory commons is supposed to increase socializing among students, improve the nutritional value of commons meals, and bolster the economic base of the dining service.

Hakala says he is concerned that the move to mandatory commons will damage the character

of the various living groups because it may lead freshmen into choosing living groups on the basis of whether or not commons is required, rather than by the personality of the group. "I spoke with a number of tutors and housemasters and they agree unanimously that there is reason to believe that the adoption of a proposal for mandatory commons might very easily destroy the existing character of most living groups," added Hakala.

Another factor Hakala claimed was overlooked is the number of

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Undergraduate Association President Jonathan Hakala expressed his displeasure with the recommendation of mandatory commons. (Photo by Kevin Osborn)

Lee wants more minorities

By Agnes Huang

"The irony of the Affirmative Action plan at MIT is the fact that it applies only to employees, not to students. Therefore, the number of minority students in grad school is extremely small," commented Sharon Lee, Vice President of the Graduate Student Council (GSC).

The main problem, according to Lee, is that "people on the Institute level have a commitment to maintain a level of minority

and women graduate students, but they have no systematic approach to recruit these students."

Lee added, "They allow the departments to do the deciding so we get a wide range of discrepancies."

To develop strategies for increasing the number of minorities and women students, the GSC formed the Affirmative Action Review Committee. The primary purpose of the committee is to reverse the trend of decreasing minority enrollment in graduate school and to aid the Institute in fulfilling its commitment to Affirmative Action.

According to the spokeswoman, minority students constituted 3.8 percent of the total graduate student population in 1978-79 (148 minority students out of a total of 3944 graduate students). In the same year, black graduate students constituted 2.8 percent and women constituted 15.4 percent.

"The number of minority graduates peaked in the 1976-77 school year and has been decreasing since," explained Lee. "The discrepancy in the distribution of women and minorities is wide among the five schools and the twenty-five departments."

Lee said she attributes this discrepancy to the great unevenness in interdepartmental recruiting of women and minority students. "The Undergraduate Association has more central offices to aid in maintaining a reasonable ratio of women and minority students," explained Lee, "however, this doesn't exist on the graduate level; everything is left up to the individual departments and all the departments aren't supporting the program."

To substantiate this point, Lee noted that the School of Engineering has 44 minority students out of a total of 1853 (2.4 percent), while the School of Architecture and Planning has

approximately 13.7 percent of its total population in the minority bracket.

"The reason for this difference can be explained by the activity of the students in Urban Studies and Planning. They get more involved and the department supports them," said Lee. "However, the students take most of the credit in recruiting. The department administration should take more responsibility."

"What the departments need to do is to take a systematic approach to recruiting and put in an all out effort," added Lee. "Looking at the figures, it doesn't appear that the Institute has much commitment to Affirmative Action on the graduate level and this needs to be changed."

Despite the decrease in minority graduate students, Lee noted that there was an increase in women students, although the increases are not very substantial. "The percentage of women students in graduate schools increased by only 0.8 percent from 1977 to 1978. The biggest increases occurred again in the School of Architecture and Planning, especially in Urban Studies and Planning."

Lee suggested that the best solution for maintaining a higher percentage of minorities at MIT is to establish full-time recruiters to bring minorities and women to MIT's graduate schools. "Our program is aiming to meet with the senior administration —

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inside

Octathon, a week-long intramural sports competition, debuts next week and IM Chairman Peter Lemme is looking forward to a successful event. Page 12.

Dorm plans out

By James Kelleher

MIT will begin the construction of a new dormitory this March.

According to Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Robert Sherwood, the dorm will be completed by August 1981 and be ready for occupancy in September 1981. It will be built on Memorial Drive over the parking lot next to New House. Parking facilities for both houses will probably be built on MIT property on Vassar Street. A ratio of one parking space for every four residents is required by law.

The building is designed to be architecturally compatible with New House when viewed from outside, and it will consist of five floors. The first floor will be a common area with vending areas, dining facilities and activity rooms, whose exact function will be determined later.

It is expected that many of the

students in the dorm will be on a meal plan and therefore kitchen facilities will be somewhat limited. There will be a large country kitchen and a smaller party kitchen on the first floor. The dining room will accommodate about 250 people and so should allow some room for people not living in the dormitory. There will also be a grill operating after the normal dining hours.

The living area will extend throughout the top four floors and will have room for 300 people. At least 25 percent of the residents will be living in doubles and the rest in singles. However, many rooms have adjoining doors so that singles can be turned into doubles at the discretion of the residents. Small public lounges will be provided for each group of eight to ten people. There will be large lounges, probably two per floor, for each group of thirty to forty.

TPA offers public service projects

By Eric Johns

The Technology Planning Associates (TPA) is an organization whose goal is to give undergraduates from MIT and Wellesley job experience in the field of public service.

TPA contracts jobs from both state and local government agencies and public advocacy groups and offers them as research projects to undergraduates. Students work on these projects in teams of two to three led by an experienced upperclassman. A faculty member from the Department of Urban Studies and Planning acts as an advisor. The typical projects require four to six hours of work per week and would last for about six weeks. Academic credit for this work can be arranged.

The substance of the research projects is "real life" problems. Projects currently being offered include the development of a

management system and the researching and writing of state legislation.

In all of the projects, the research teams are responsible to their clients and their work must suit the clients' needs. Some clients require a report on the project explaining the procedure used and the results obtained. Others may desire an oral presentation. It may even be necessary for a research team to testify at legislation or public hearings.

The goal of TPA is to allow students to "get a taste of" public service work as well as to gain research experience. Undergraduates will also make contacts in the public sector that will become valuable if they decide on a career in the public service area. At present, there are several projects being offered. The TPA office is in Room 3-408.

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UAP says students resist plan

(Continued from page 1) students preferring specialized diets, such as vegetarians and those keeping Kosher. Inflexible hours on a mandatory program may also come into conflict with students' schedules. Hakala pointed out that studies at other colleges with mandatory meal plans show an average of one third of the meals were missed by students who found the hours inconvenient.

Hakala cited a 1976 Dean for Student Affairs Housing and Food Survey that showed that a proposal in favor of mandatory commons would meet a great deal

of opposition. In response to the question of how they would react to mandatory commons, 6 percent strongly favored the proposal, 5 percent liked it, 13 percent didn't care, 53 percent opposed it, and 23 percent said they would leave the housing system. Eighty percent of the students were strongly opposed to mandatory commons in dormitories with dining halls.

Present commons meals are heavy on carbohydrates and lack a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables, noted Hakala. There are few choices of soups and salads and a great variety of soft

drinks and desserts, he added, calling for a reappraisal of the accuracy of the report.

Economically, the Dining Service is not as badly off as it seems despite mismanagement, claimed Hakala. According to Hakala, "Director of Housing and Food Services Eugene Brammer and Director of Food Services Ed Leonard are doing a very poor job of handling supplier costs and labor costs." As an example Hakala claimed that the Dining Service pays more for frozen orange juice concentrate wholesale than he himself does for fresh orange juice retail.

Course VI-A is good program

By Craig Counterman

The Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Department of the School of Engineering has a truly wonderful little program — and it's not in LISP. It's called Course VI-A, and it "... combines industrial and research experience with academic work through a series of organized cooperative work assignments interwoven with the regular course of study ..." [from the Courses and Degree Program Bulletin].

You can receive your SB degree after your fourth year, or alternatively, you can continue, write a thesis (usually based on your last two work assignments), and get your SM. The work assignments start July 1, and end June

30. In addition to academic credit, the company pays "nominal wages which help to defray education expenses." (The Institute still wants your money, even if you're not around). The assignments are better than typical summer jobs. They are more rewarding, professionally and academically, and are reputedly even fun.

Companies and corporations currently cooperating in the cooperative program include Comsat, Draper Laboratory, Digital Equipment Corporation, Hewlett-Packard Company, Honeywell, Inc., IBM Corporation, Texas Instruments, Inc., Motorola, Naval Surface Weapons Center, Naval

Underwater Systems Center and Xerox Corporation.

To top it all off, the companies may (but don't have to) offer you continued employment, which you may accept (but you don't have to).

If you're a registered second-year Course VI student in good standing with the Institute, you're eligible. Go no (or early in the second term) to the VI-A Office, Room 38-473, and apply yourself. Note: "The Department cannot guarantee the acceptance of a student into the program, since the cooperating companies make the final selections."

In 1979, the companies came up with a surprising 124 openings, a surprising 124 students applied for these openings, and a surprised 120 of these ended up on the Company Preference lists following on campus interviews last March. The final class size of 100 students broke the record of the year before.

Appropriately enough, last year, the selection process was computerized to process the large number of people.

news roundup

World

Iranians still hold Americans hostage — Ayatollah Khomeini has rebuffed an American mission led by Ramsey Clark to obtain the release of the American Embassy personnel held hostage in Iran since Sunday. The Iranians are demanding that the Americans trade the Shah for the hostages. A Palestine Liberation Organization mission is reportedly in Iran working for the release of the Americans.

Nation

Guaranteed minimum income passes the House — A bill mandating a national minimum welfare payment to poor families narrowly passed in the House of Representatives Wednesday. The measure would increase payments to 800,000 families in thirteen states. The bill is expected to face Senate opposition, especially from Senator Russell B. Long (D-LA), Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Local

White wins fourth term — Mayor Kevin White won a fourth term in Tuesday's elections with 54.8 percent of the vote, defeating State Senator Joseph Timilty. White will be the first Boston mayor to serve four consecutive terms.

— By Gordon Hunter

Weather

Another victory for the dreaded "weekend effect" is unfortunately in store for Boston. Partly to mostly cloudy and cool today. Highs in the middle 50's. Expect thickening clouds and a gradual southerly wind shift tonight. Lows in the mid 40's. Rain breaking out by or during the day, continuing into Sunday. Lows Saturday night near 40. Slow improvement Sunday with cooler temperatures. Highs near 50, lows in the 30's. Chance of rain 30 percent today, 70 percent Sunday, 50 percent Sunday.

GSC needs dept. aid

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department heads, faculty members, and deans — to constructively put up a program for recruitment at MIT," commented Lee. "We need to maintain an image of Affirmative Action to attract students and this can't be done without departmental support."

"The students should not feel isolated because they are the only minority in the class. They should be socially and academically involved," she emphasized. Lee strongly suggests that anyone interested in aiding the Affirmative Action cause come to the committee's next meeting on November 19 at 1:00 in 7-133.

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opinion

Tom Curtis

Problems of the 80's a threat to MIT

As MIT approaches the 1980's, it prepares to enter an age of uncertainty and danger where its reputation could be at stake.

The threat is the possibility of a lower-quality student body, and the threatening factors are the anticipated student shortage of the 80's and the uncertain direction of the economy.

A very definite shortage of college-aged people is coming; demographers have been telling us about it for at least the last decade. Many people are predicting that this shortage will wipe out many colleges. This shortage won't wipe out MIT, but it could affect the Institute in subtler ways. The pool of high quality applicants from which MIT will be able choose will shrink; the Institute thus may not be able to get 4500 students of the caliber it wants.

What is MIT's current assessment of the situation? Well, President-elect Paul Gray's hope is that a continued rise in the popularity of MIT will offset the decline in quality students. He points out that this year MIT had its highest number of applicants ever.

Certainly, with the demand for engineers, MIT's largest group of graduates, continuing to grow, it would seem likely that MIT's pool of applicants would also continue to grow. However, this is not necessarily the case.

First, the demand for engineers could slow down. Here is one place where the economy comes in. If a prolonged recession occurs, companies may curtail their recruitment of engineers, and many potential students may look at the situation and decide it's not worth taking the extra time to study engineering if there is no guarantee of a job at the end of their studies. A similar situation occurred in the 60's when the demand for aeronautical and astronautical engineers suddenly dropped when aviation companies slumped because of the loss of government contracts.

Also, only a limited amount of applicant pool growth can occur. Even if the engineer demand remains high, MIT cannot expect its applicant pool to continue to grow. There is only a limited number of people who are interested in becoming engineers; some people would rather die than become engineers. MIT may be rapidly approaching the maximum number of applicants it can expect to get.

There are other factors which could affect the number of students willing to come to MIT. The most important of these factors is the economy, with its double-digit inflation. Inflation puts MIT and other private colleges at a competitive disadvantage when compared with public colleges. When inflation causes prices in general to go up, the price of an MIT education goes up even more. According to Gray, inflation causes outside contributions to drop, and thus tuition must go up to compensate for this loss. Public schools aren't nearly affected so much by inflation; the governments which fund them have much less trouble raising money in times of inflation.

With the cost of MIT several times the cost of public schools, it makes applicants think twice before they decide to go to MIT. Contrary to what some people say, cost does make a difference in an applicant's decision. A friend of mine from high school did not come here solely because of MIT's cost; I'm sure he wasn't the only one.

The 80's are thus a concern for MIT. What can be done to prepare for the situation? Well, not much, really. MIT can't really do much to affect the economy, and it can't just suddenly create thousands of students.

However, MIT should at least realize the potential danger of the situation and begin thinking of ways to minimize the effect. Being caught unprepared could be disastrous.

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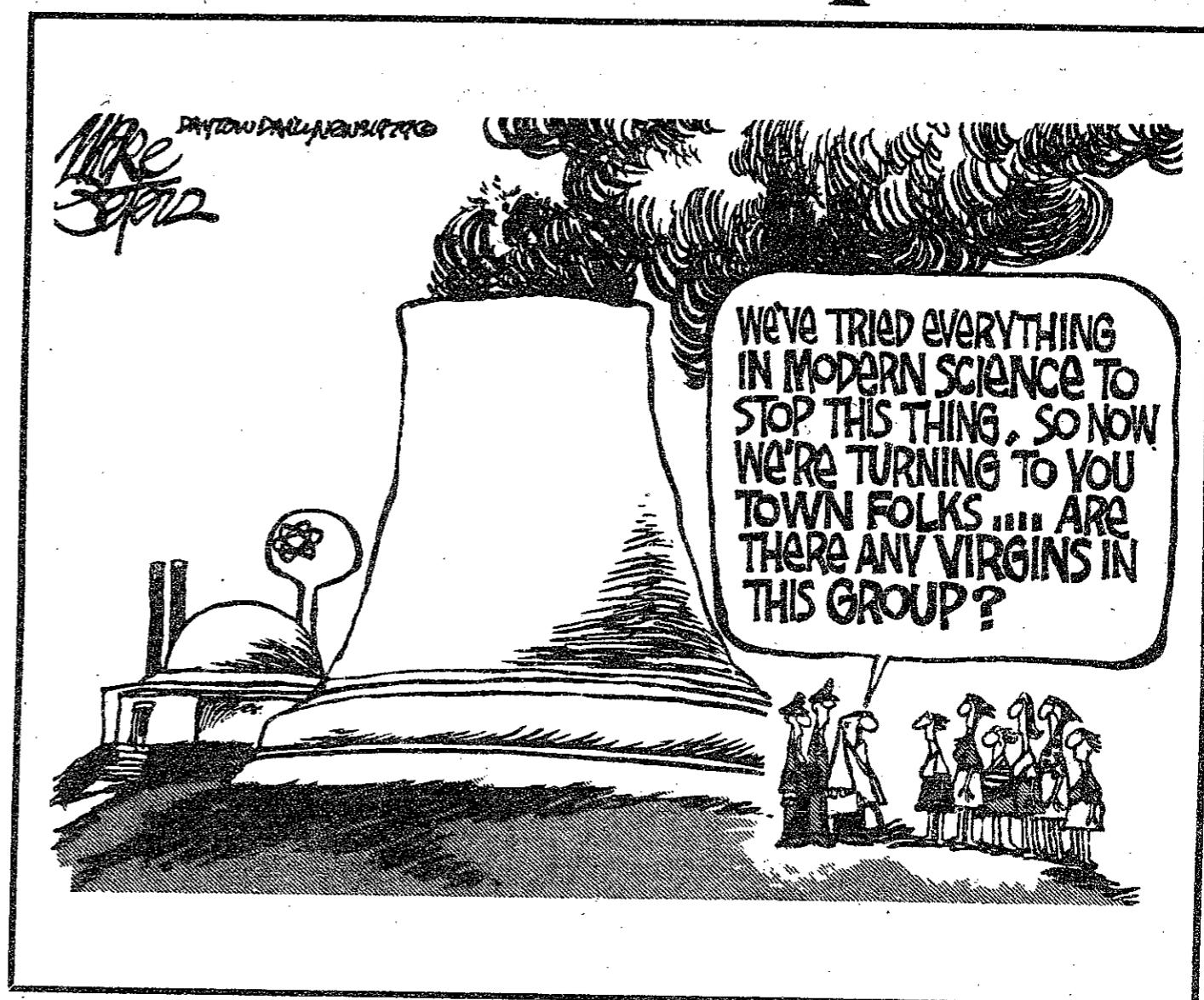
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Stuart Atlow

Negotiating ID card maze

Life at MIT can be very hard without an ID card. It is for this reason that during R/O week, every freshman dutifully marches down to the Student Center for ID pictures. Anyone witnessing the migration is reminded of a troop of lemmings....

This being MIT, needless to say, something must, and always will, go wrong with the ID distribution process. Invariably, there will always be a small faction of the freshman class for whom the camera malfunctions, and thus cannot receive their permanent ID cards. As a result of this, these poor souls simply do not officially exist, and in rare instances, cannot receive ID cards, for if you don't exist, you obviously don't need an ID card. These are the sort of problems which will never be solved. Here then is the tale of one such freshman of the class of 2187, Mr. Horatio L. Nebish....

Nebish awoke that fateful September morning. Our hero was filled with apprehension, for today he was to receive his permanent dorm assignment. As a painless side effect, he was to have his ID photo taken. Nebish walked into the street, and joined the teeming hordes of freshmen, all heading in the same direction.

He entered Kresge Oval, and fell in line with the 3143 other members of the Class of 2187. He tried to avoid tripping in the rubble of the crumbling heap of ruins, once an auditorium, which collapsed during R/O week 1979, killing most of the class of 2001 which was there for academic orientation.

In order to compensate for the loss of 93 percent of a freshman class, MIT had doubled the size of the next year's entering class. Class size was never reduced after that. Class size again went up after Cal-Tech was destroyed in proving the thesis of an experimental physicist on the nature of anti-matter.

According to the Intra-Extra Campus Living Group Council, there was a slow rush this year, and so, dorm crowding was expected. Nebish reflected on his housing choices: Bexley — everybody wanted Bexley — Burton and Next.

As he entered the Student Center, his ID picture was taken. He then received his dorm assignment: Limbo. "Damn," Nebish thought, "now I'll end up with the rowdies over in MacGregor."

Time passed; Nebish was assigned to Burton on the second day of assignments, classes began, forced commons began, and problem sets began.

Two weeks later, Nebish entered Lobby Seven. There hung a huge banner, proclaiming to the populace, "Freshman ID's are available at the UASO." Nebish asked what the UASO was and was told many things by many people, most of whom cursed him for his freshman-like ignorance, but he finally agreed to be showered in exchange for the information. He then reported to the Undergraduate Academic Support Office. There he was asked, "Name?" He responded, "Nebish, Horatio L." The secretary handed him an envelope

which contained not, as expected, an ID card, but a yellow sheet of paper informing him that no picture of him existed because of the photographer's failure to put film in the camera. Thus, he should report to Graphic Arts at his earliest convenience, which is to say immediately, so that another portrait of him might be done. Unfortunately, nobody told Nebish where Graphic Arts was, which made it rather difficult to report there. Good Beaver that he was, he located Graphic Arts after bribing the secretary with a look at his HP4006. Nebish did report to Graphic Arts, and was told that a new ID would be available within 10 days.

After the expanse of that time, Nebish again reported to the office where said cards are distributed. Nebish was told to report again next week. This was repeated for three weeks.

In order to support himself while within the city of

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feedback

Comic offensive

To the Editor:

What irony! On page four of the *Tech's* October 30 issue, your editorial proclaims "Human rights policy is producing results"; while on page 12 you allow the printing of a comic which contains one of the symbols of the oppression of an estimated 20 million people in the US.

Didn't you know that the word "faggot" is as insulting to Gays as "nigger" is to Blacks and "kike" is to Jews? Did you or Glen Ackerman know the origin of the word faggot and the legacy of discrimination that gave it its meaning? At first a faggot meant a bundle of sticks. But since so many homosexuals were burnt at the stake using faggots for fuel, faggot became interchangeable with homosexual.

You also mentioned in your editorial Jimmy Carter's successes with his human rights program. Did you know, however, that as one of his campaign pledges on

May 21, 1976, Carter promised to "end the federal government's harassment of homosexuals." Three years of his human rights policy has yet to produce an executive order banning discrimination against gay people or a statement in support of the national gay rights bill now before Congress. This is a little ironic since on October 14, 1979 over 100,000 gay people (including several MIT students) marched in Washington, DC in support of Gay Rights.

Finally in your editorial, you urge all students to "act in support of human rights" instead of sitting in their "rooms all day doing problem sets." Perhaps you had better start at home with the *Tech* considering the insensitivity the *Tech* has shown both in publishing "The Beaver" comic strip and its silence on the several incidents of vandalism which have been perpetrated against the gay bulletin board this term.

Name withheld by request

opinion

The ID card jumble

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Cambridge, Nebish sought out, and received, employment in the Music Library at MIT and worked there for five hours a week. The job in the music library was exasperating at best, for because of inferior design, the weight of the books and records, never allowed-for in the original plans, was causing the floor to collapse.

The Institute had handed down in 1987 a rule requiring all employees to present proper ID in order to get paid. All those lacking permanent ID cards would be granted one check for all back pay on the first Friday after it would be possible to receive that check.

When his ID was finally available, Nebish needed to properly identify himself in order to get the card. This feat involved getting out his ID card from the pile, pretending that he had submitted it to the secretary, and thus being able to receive the card. This final act made both Nebish

and the secretary very happy, as neither would have to deal with other again until, they hoped, never, and even then, it would be too soon. Nebish was also overjoyed that at long last he would be able to receive his overdue wages.

He proceeded immediately to the Cashier's Office to inform them of his newly gained status. It was duly noted without pomp, and with very little circumstance.

On the proper Friday, at the appointed hour, Nebish returned to the Cashier's Office, and stood on line with 10 others, each in expectation of his or her wages. When it became his turn, Horatio L. Nebish, no. 496-777-4891, presented the clerk with his new ID card, which affirmed that he was, in fact, that person. With the ID card, the clerk returned a small manila pay envelope.

Upon opening the envelop, Nebish found to his chagrin, not a paycheck, but a little green card informing him that because of computer error, his check would be delayed from seven to ten days.

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To the Editor:

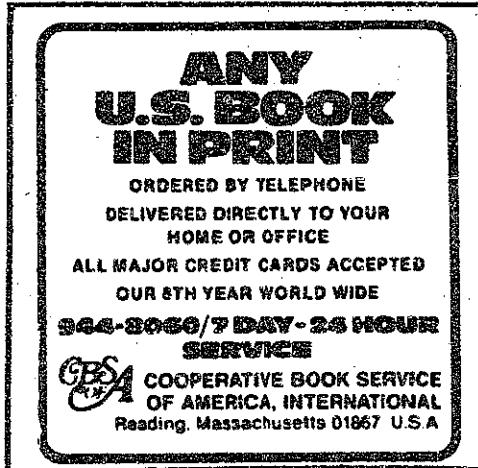
It has recently come to our attention that we went to Walker for dinner one night last week. Upon finding the line halfway down the stairs, we decided to go to Baker. Entering Baker's lobby we couldn't help but notice three posters for a McCormick party. "Hmm," we said to ourselves, "that's this weekend." Going down on the stairs we found a line almost as long as: 1) Walker's, 2) the ones we did up last weekend, 3) the lines we'll be using at the Smith party, so we continued on the McGregor. We could swallow this line. Some of us had pork chops and one of us had spaghetti w/balls. "I didn't know I had to ask for sauce." The long loaves of bread were quite a treat after the squat Walker rolls. Oh wow, Electric Cow! We were so impressed by the improvement over Walker and Baker that we decided to use our silverware. After finishing our tasty tidbits we treated ourselves to a tower tour. Well, high and behold, what should we chance upon but a pantload of McCormick party posters. We decided to check out our own dorm. Returning through Lobby 7 we said, "Gee." After further discussion we said, "My that's a cute McCormick

party poster, maybe we should come through here more often." As we passed Walker, the line was still out the door so we were going to leave a note in their suggestion box concerning the vegetables. Of course, no box. Stopping by our neighbor, East Campus, for our evening's supply of coke, we were once again confronted by the McCormick party posters. Now we were psyched; they clearly made an effort to get the whole campus involved. A few seconds later we were home looking for McCormick party posters of our very own. Tearfully we said, "But it's only 100 feet from East Campus to here. Why didn't we get any McCormick party posters?" After more discussion we said, "We are speechless — boned again."

While we are wholeheartedly in favor of campus-wide social activities, we find it offensive that a large part (5 percent) of the MIT community is so blatantly unwelcome, even though their money is being used to subsidize this event.

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Ken Carson '81
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feedback

Celotto clarifies story

To the Editor:

My first reaction to reading in the October 26 issue the article concerning "neglected graduate students" was that *The Tech* intentionally distorts the truth in order to generate controversies on campus so that we don't become bored around here. Obviously, your editorial staff could not be

that irresponsible, so I gave you the benefit of the doubt that you just got careless.

The title "GSC claims graduate students neglected" was in error on two accounts. First, since I was the only member of the Council interviewed, my statements can hardly be considered to

represent the GSC itself. Some of my colleagues have substantially different opinions.

Secondly, and more importantly, there has been a significant increase in attention paid to graduate student concerns by the Administration within the past two years and we are not being neglected. One of the results of the review conducted by Vice President Simonides and the subsequent reorganization of the Office of the Dean for Student Affairs was the improvement of services to graduate students. I believe, and I am sure that the students who have used the services of the DSA would agree, that the reorganization was successful. Further, the activities which the GSC hopes to hold for graduate students are only possible as a result of an increase in the Council budget funded by the DSA.

Finally, this must be a year-round procedure to be successful. Laxity of security in the beginning of each term and during IAP and summer sessions only compounds the problem. We are concerned and hope that corrective measures will be taken soon.

Jason Kaldis '82
Bill Dubuque '82

Richard Celotto G
Treasurer, GSC

Keep urchins out of gym

To the Editor:

There is growing concern over the unauthorized use of MIT's athletic facilities (namely duPont) by Cambridge residents (herein called "urchins"). Each year this unauthorized use is allowed to continue.

The urchins dominate the facility in the evenings and on the weekends. A lot of theft can be directly attributed to these urchins. They constitute a serious security problem.

They gain access to duPont in a fairly easy fashion. One urchin gets in and lets the rest in through side doors. Often doors are propped open to allow easy entrance and quick exit. The urchins conceal themselves in the weight room and bathroom whenever the Campus Police and duPont workers make spot checks. The CP's and Dupont people have been cooperative but given the present situation it is hard for them to be effective.

Several solutions can be seen: 1.

Commons a raw deal

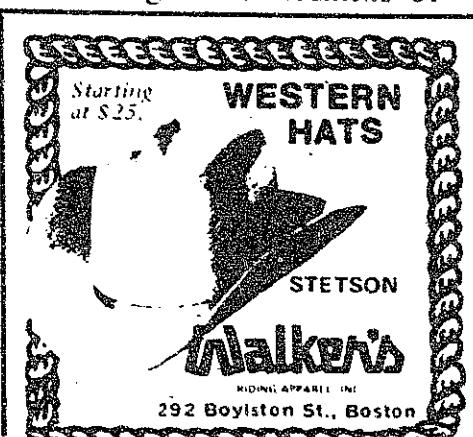
To the Editor:

Today I had a thoroughly disgusting experience. When I bit into my commons lunch, a "Cheeseburger Deluxe", blood and juices that were still cool squirted all over my face.

I do not have a weak stomach but having to eat near-raw meat is not only disgusting but may be unsafe as well.

I took my complaint, and the cheeseburger, to the general manager of the food services. He was brusque, abusive, and unresponsive. He spoke as though my raw commons burger was a delicacy like steak tartare. I do not see how an incompetent and unapproachable bureaucrat as this could administer a mandatory commons program when he is uncooperative in administering the present services.

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→ feedback

Moon critics misrepresent him

To the Editor:

First Amendment freedoms are given to us by God with the implicit responsibility not to use that freedom as a license to misrepresent, misquote, or quote out of context for the purpose of pushing one's own point of view. The recent letter (November 6, 1979) concerning Reverend Moon and CARP sent by Mr. Thompson, et al., abuses such freedoms. It simply reveals the same ignorant attitude that so many in our society continue to have as we fear to face the fact that Christianity is not living up to the teachings of Jesus, which include a willingness to risk one's life to live for God and mankind. I have talked at length with one of the signees of said letter, and he admitted that he had never studied Reverend Moon's life or theology. How can he or anyone call himself "Christian" when he goes around condemning and judging without checking it out! It sounds too much like the scribes and pharisees who crucified Jesus because they didn't want to check it out, first hand!

What I want the MIT community to do is to open their minds to the fact that my brothers and sisters are dying out there, that the communists are destroying and enslaving half the world's population (can we forget Cambodia?), and that God needs Christians and non-Christians alike to cooperate with one another to find the solution to the social, spiritual, and economic problems facing mankind, which only an affluent and educated America can hope to confront.

Reverend Moon has the solution. It's called CARP, it's called "Home Church", it's called serving and sacrificing for your brothers; it is Jesus' way of life that he had dreamed could become the reality and tradition for every person on earth, no matter what color, or age, or religion they may be. Reverend Moon has established a practical plan of saving marriage, uniting religions,

races and nations, and establishing a tradition of living God's words that enables us to realize the Kingdom of Heaven in our lifetimes.

If anyone has a different plan to save the world that is superior to present-day Christianity (which has failed to inspire an unselfish way of life among most of its adherents), communism (which, though sacrificial, is without God, without heart, and merely enslaves or exterminates people), and other traditional philosophies and religions, then by all means say it! Proclaim it!

I'll check it out! After checking out many Christian groups and sects, I checked Reverend Moon out, and he and the Unification Church do what they say! Reverend Moon's life is to save man and liberate God from his suffering. Can't you help him do that? Are you helping God and others at the risk of your lives and reputations? Those who are in CARP and the Unification Church do. It is because Reverend Moon does, and ultimately, because God Himself does.

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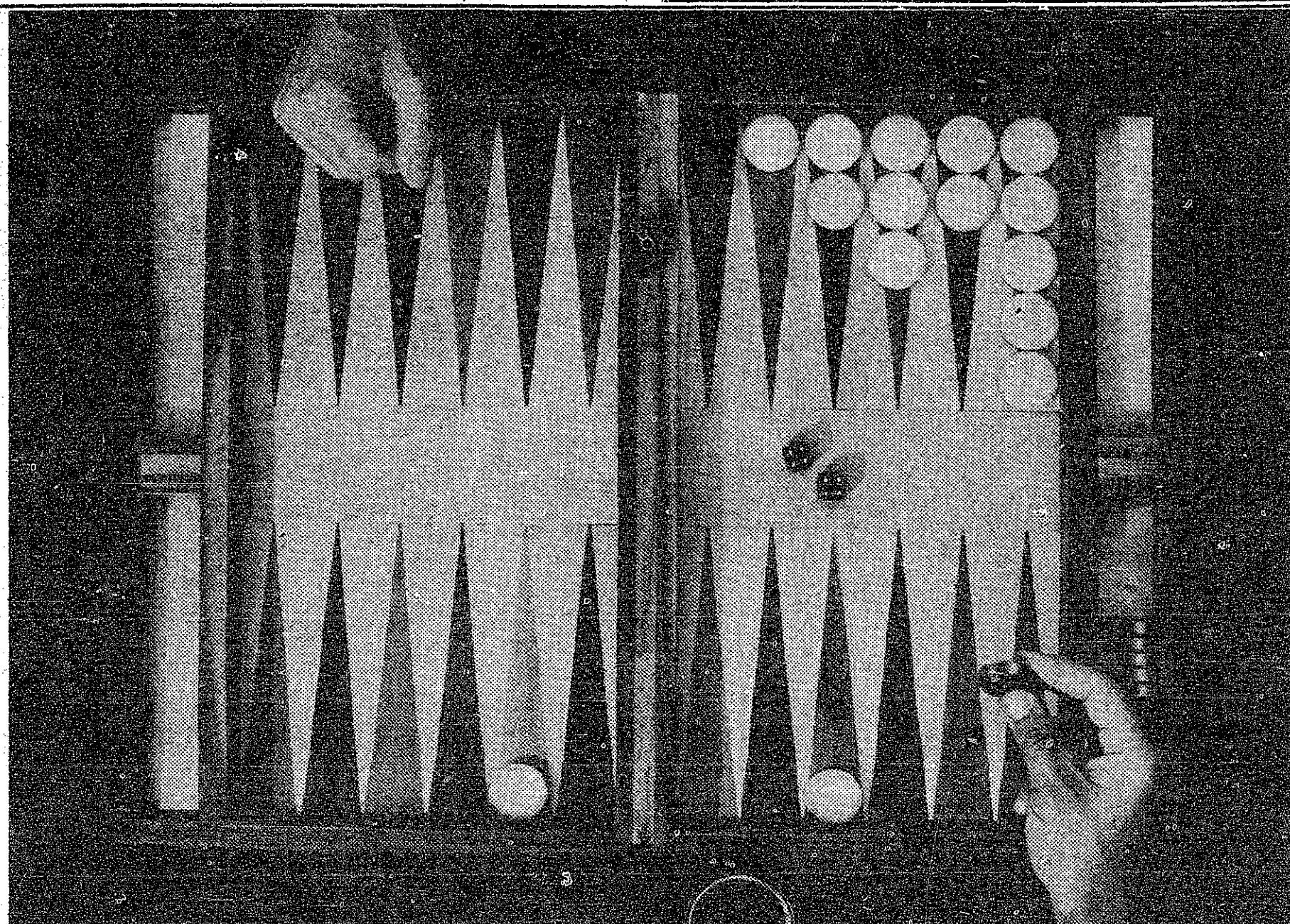
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arts

Magus Theatre Company cries Woolf

Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? by Edward Albee, starring Karen Shallo, Pirie MacDonald, Joy Bond, and Ralph Redpath; directed by Alan W. Mianulli. Now playing at the Hasty Pudding Theatre, through November 24.

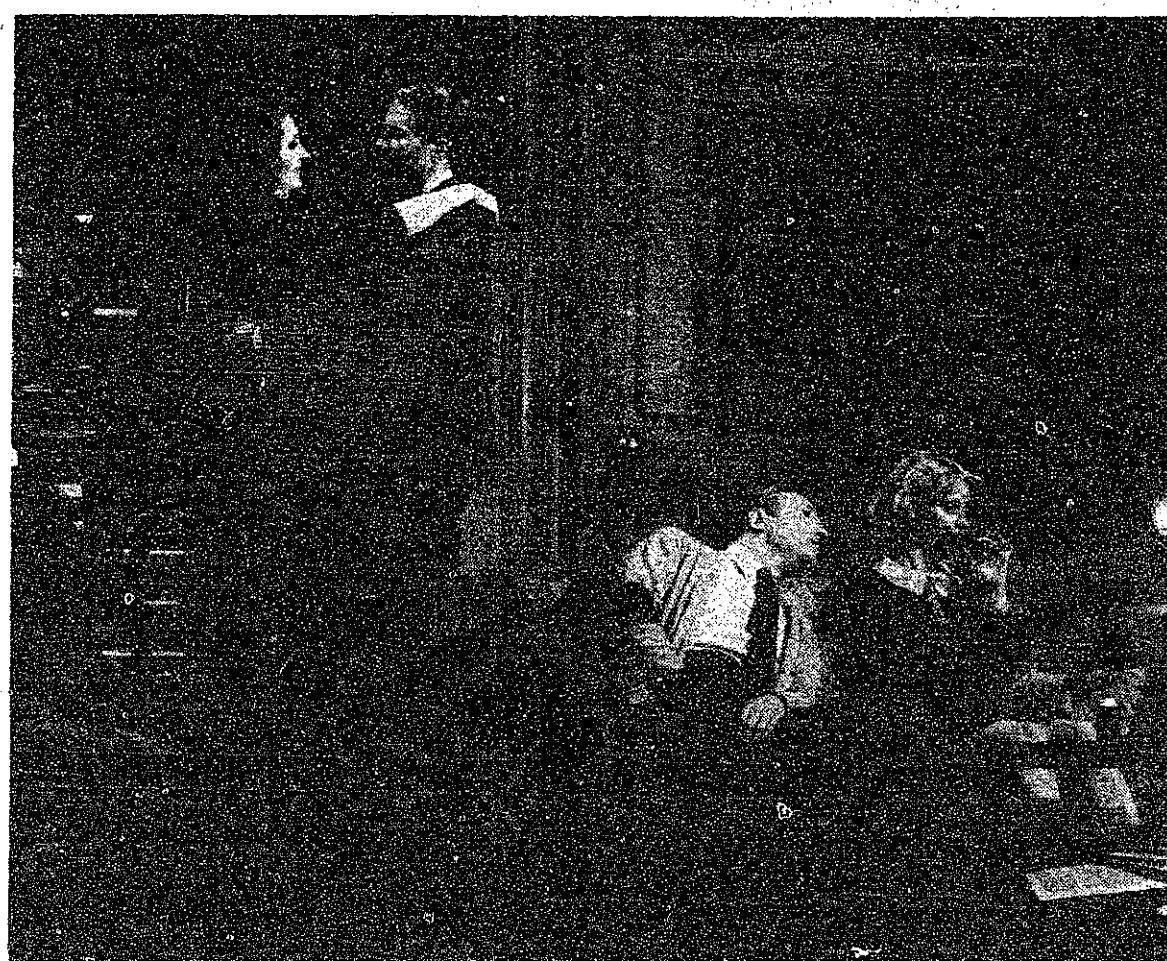
Got that lethargic "Mid-terms-are-history-but-finals-are-reality-and-I-wish-I-could-blow-up-the-world-but-I-think-I'll-do-nothing-but-how-about-that-assignment-for-tomorrow-oh-hell" feeling? Then it's time to take a trip up to the Hasty Pudding Theatre (situated within the hallowed acres of Crimson) to jolt your system back into shape with Alan W. Mianulli's production of Edward Albee's *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*



George and Martha in a moment of calm amidst the turmoil developed in Albee's play.

It's a comedy alright — and those present certainly had good fun — but it's also much more. George and Martha are perhaps not the ideal couple — he's a rather ancient associate professor at a "small New England college," and she happens to be daughter of the college's beloved President. They excel at being horrible to each other. Martha gets at George in an impulsive way, and Karen Shallo was marvellous at conjuring up an image of boozy disequilibrium in which the effects of alcohol and recrimination symbiotically build upon each other. George, by contrast, becomes drunk in a more controlled way: Pirie McDonald got his cool and sharp pre-meditated cuts just right and uttered with absolute conviction such gems as: "Show her where we keep the euphemism." His expression of calm and unconcerned suffering as he reads history at 3am in the midst of the turmoil finally convinced me that George was the more sadistic of the two, although both came across as the subjects of a particularly grotesque and vicious marital mix-up. Now, what are they being nasty about? They are generally nasty people, sure — not the sort of vertebrates nice member of *homo sapiens* exhibit in their living rooms. But maybe things go a bit deeper. It doesn't take long for the philosophical play-goer to start hypothesising that the root of their problem lies within their own inadequacies — and how brilliantly they come to light as the play unfolds. I have no intention of giving away the central truth — to find out what it is you will just have to go along.

Cast in the middle of the uproar are Nick and Honey, a new Biology professor and his not-too-intelligent, but probably just about sexually adequate bit of a wife. Ralph Redpath created the image of young and respectful propriety — blazer-clad, conservative tie correctly in position, there



Left to Right: Honey (Joy Bond), George (Pirie MacDonald), Nick (Ralph Redpath), and Martha (Karen Shallo).

are plenty of this variety of human on sale in the vineyards of Blahard. But he is projecting a facade too, and with great skill, Redpath seemingly naturally loses his respectability and... er, goes and does something naughty with Martha (although I am encouraging people to attend this production, I had better warn *voyeurs* that this particular event tactfully happens off-stage). Joy Bond shows Honey to be a nothing — her nervous little laugh generated bigger guffaws from an appreciative audience. Well done to her as well.

Towards the end, little remains to be revealed, George and Martha can no longer hide naked truth from each other — or from the world, assuming the world wants to know: they can fool themselves no longer, and the cast can get a well-earned night's rest. Student tickets cost only \$5, so if you've got that assignment for tomorrow, how's about going along to the show and imagining it's your professor getting all the assault and battery!

— Jonathan Richmond

Music

Marc Thor and The Maps at the Honey Lounge, Fri. and Sat.

Nervous Eaters at Cantone's Fri. and Sat.

Spores, Harlequin, and Zoo Types at The Rat Fri.

Vinny Band and Peyton's at The Space, Fri. and Sat.

Mission of Burma and Bloodless Pharoahs at the Club Fri.

Reckless, Balloon, and Nads at the Rat Sat. and Sun.

Rings and Jets at The Club Sat. and Sun.

Sass and Neighborhoods and The Paradise Sun.

Ultravox and Motels and The Paradise, Fri. Nov. 16 and Sat. Nov. 17.

Styx at the Boston Garden, Sat., Nov. 10; tickets \$9.5 & 8.50.

Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers with the Fabulous Poodles at the Orpheum Theatre, Wed., Nov. 14 at 7:30pm; tickets \$8.50 & 7.50.

The Police at the Orpheum Theatre, Tues., Nov. 27 at 7:30pm; tickets \$8.50 & \$7.50.

The Outlaws with Molly Hatchet at the Music Hall, Tues., Nov. 27 at 7:30pm; tickets \$9.50 & 8.50.

Santana at the Music Hall, Thurs., Nov. 29 at 7:30pm; tickets \$9.50 & 8.50.

Jefferson Starship at the Orpheum Theatre, Thurs., Nov. 15 at 7:30pm; tickets \$9.50 & 8.50.

The Muffins at the Modern Theatre, Mon., Nov. 12 at 8pm; tickets \$6.

The MIT Chinese Students' Club presents a piano recital by Fou Ts'ong on Friday, November 9 at the New England Life Hall (Next to Boston Public Library) 225 Clarendon St. Tickets are \$8 and \$6 and are available from all MIT CSC officers. For further information call: Sebastian Man (494-9287, x3-7274), Andy Chiang (494-8956, d15-9601), or Stanford Kuo (494-8904, d15-9205).

Theatre

MIT Dramashop presents its second set of fall one-act plays on Thurs., Fri., and Sat., Nov. 15, 16, and 17 at 8pm. The performances are being held at the Harrington School, 850 Cambridge St., which is about a fifteen minute walk north from MIT. Ad-

mission is free and open to the public, and there will be a short critique following each performance. The four pieces being performed are Bertolt Brecht's "The Elephant Calf," Samuel Beckett's "Footfalls," a comic monologue "The Harmfulness of Tobacco" by Anton Chekov, and a student piece by Michael Albergo '82 entitled "Reflections Aside." For more information, call the Drama Office at x3-4456.

Wellesley College Experimental Theatre presents an evening of one-act plays November 9 & 10 in Jewett Auditorium, Wellesley College. Curtain time for *The Stronger* by August Strindberg, *Riders to the Sea* by J.M. Synge, and *Tripartite* by David Walker '81 will be 8 pm. Admission is free with MIT/Wellesley ID.

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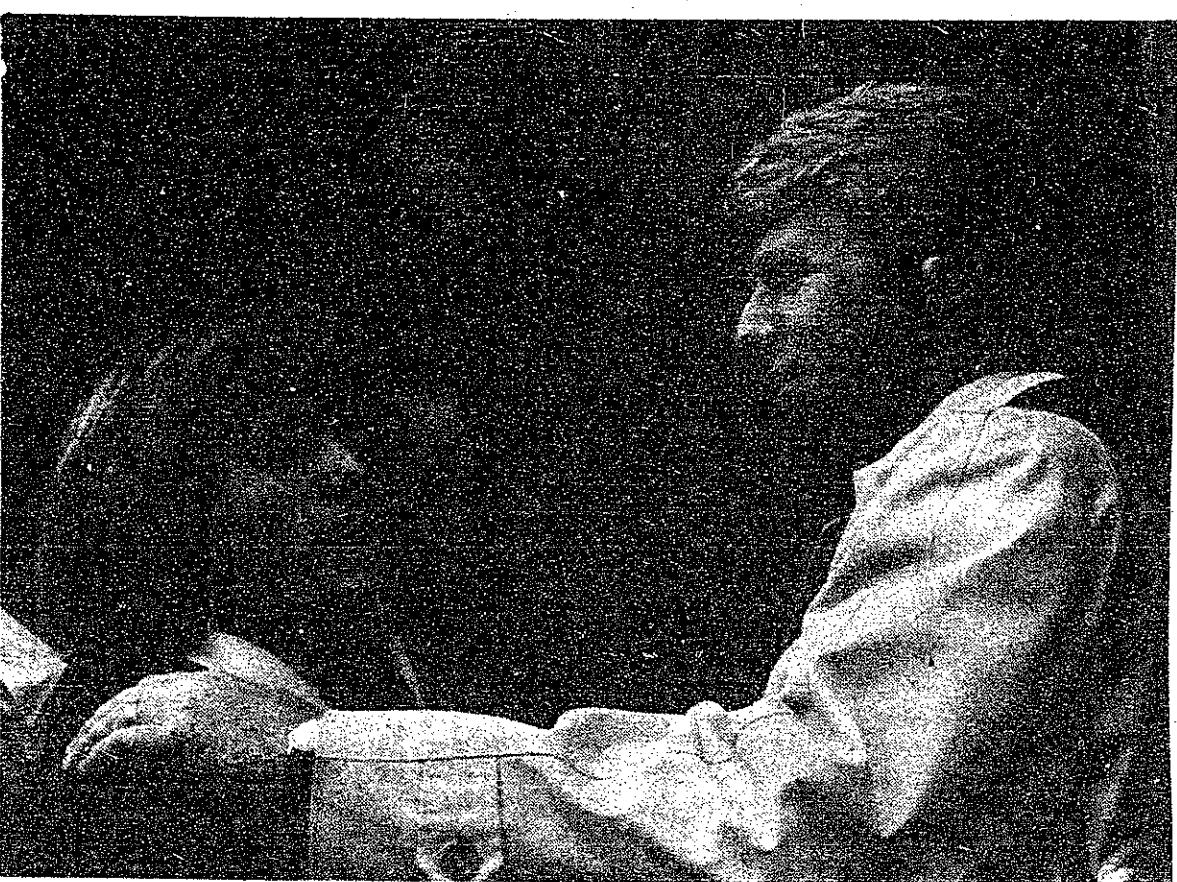
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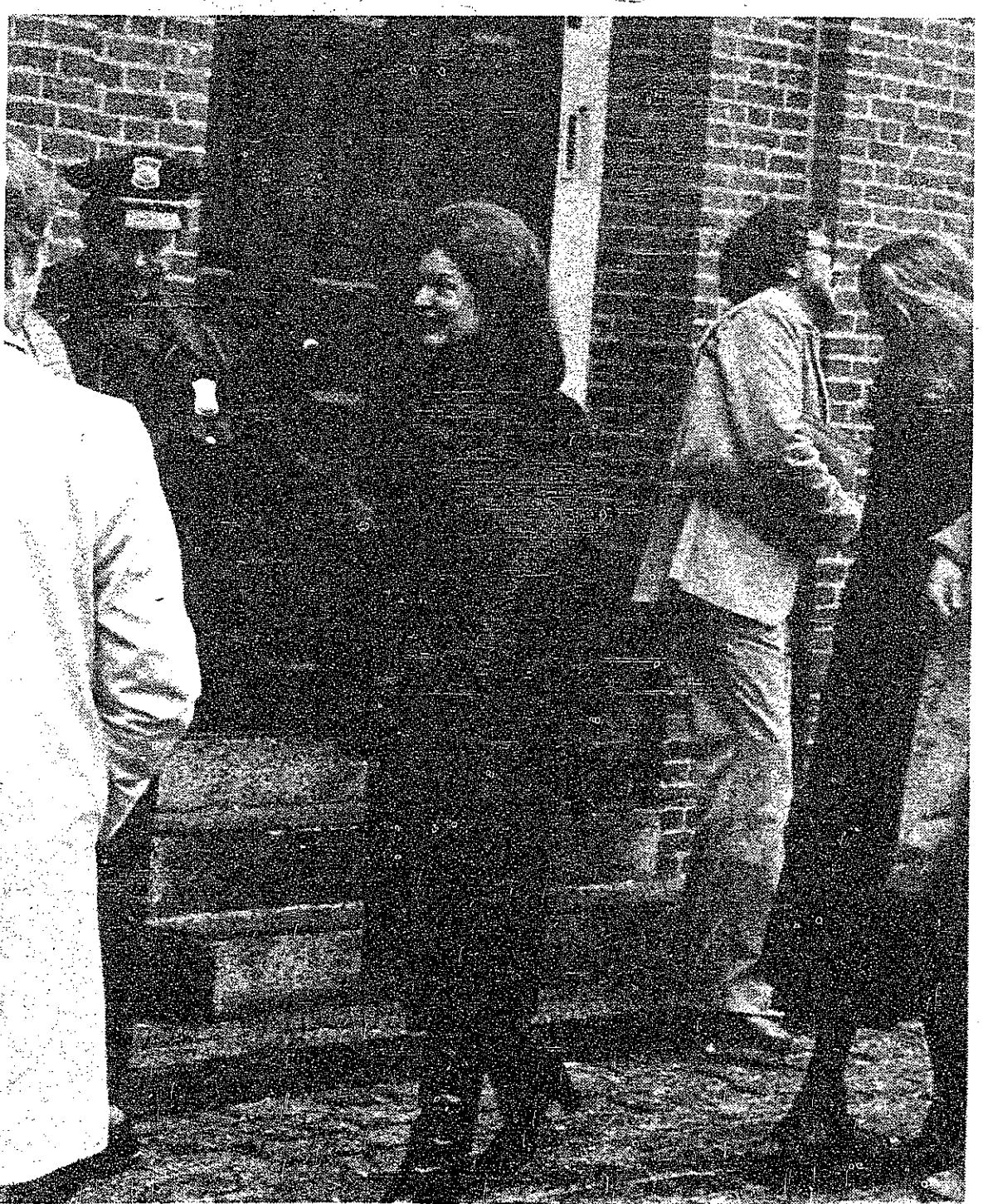
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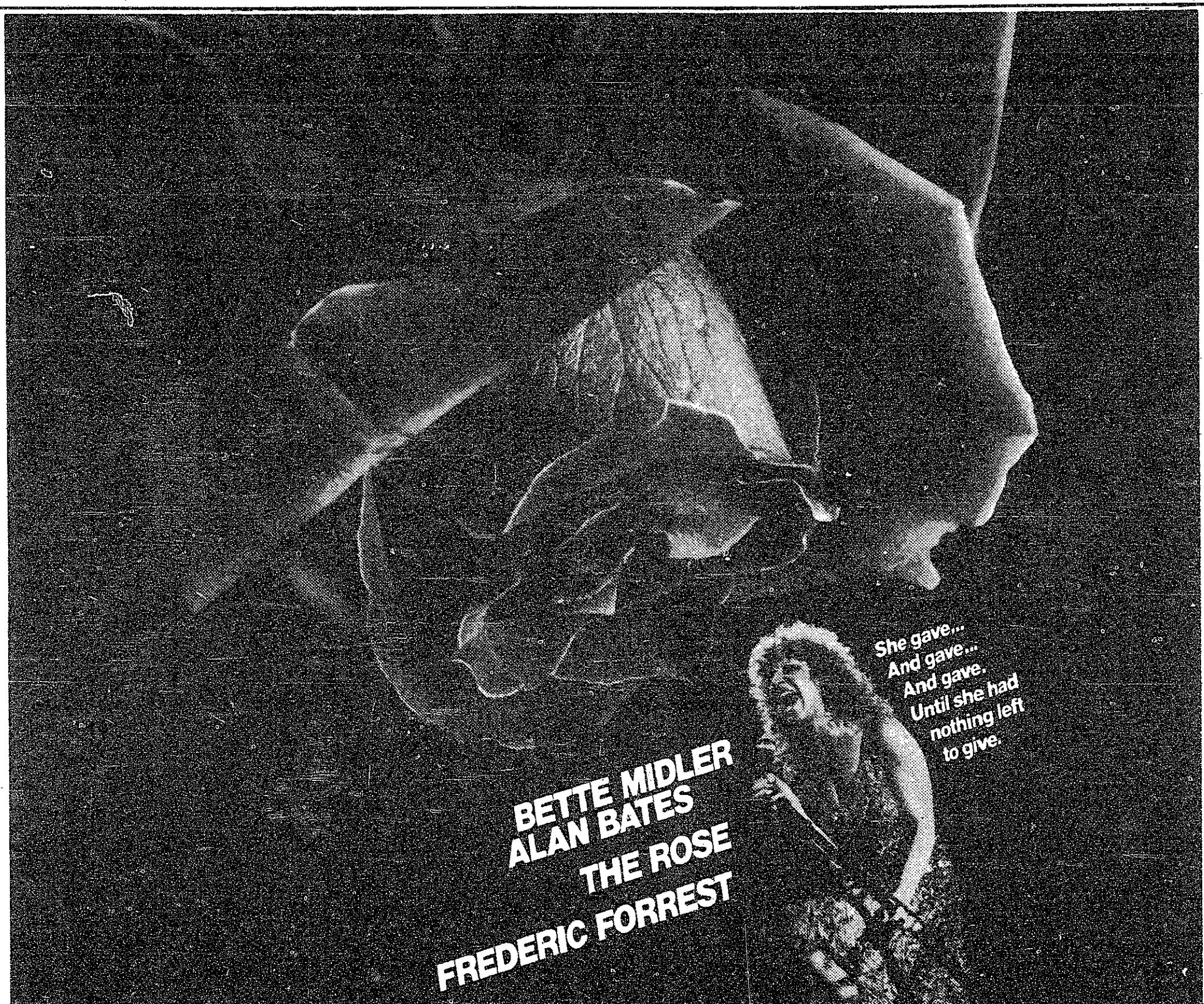
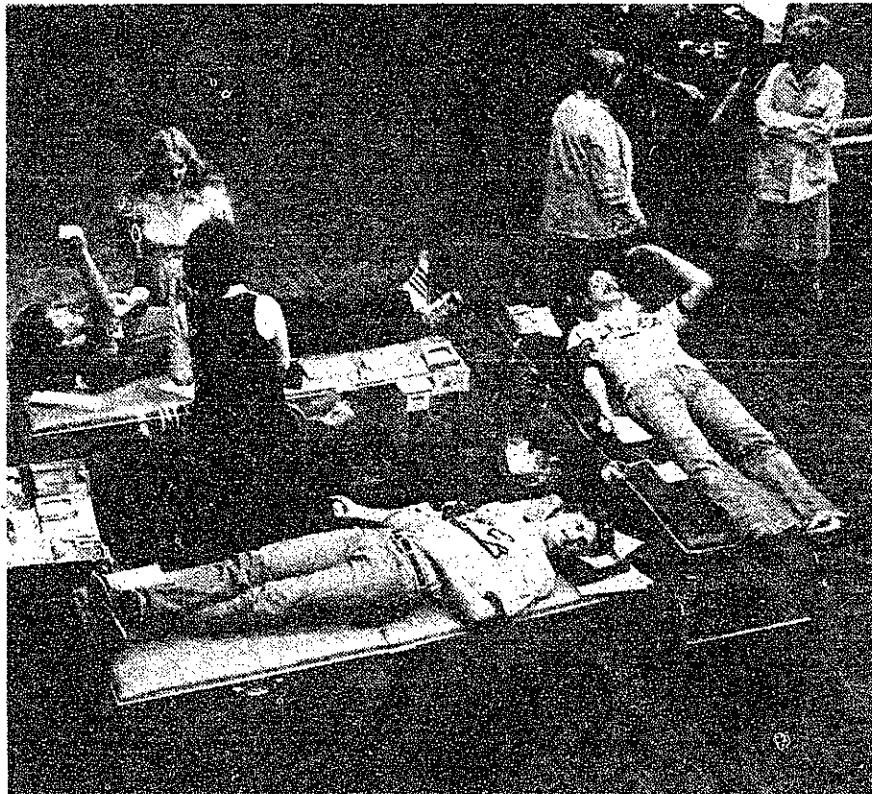
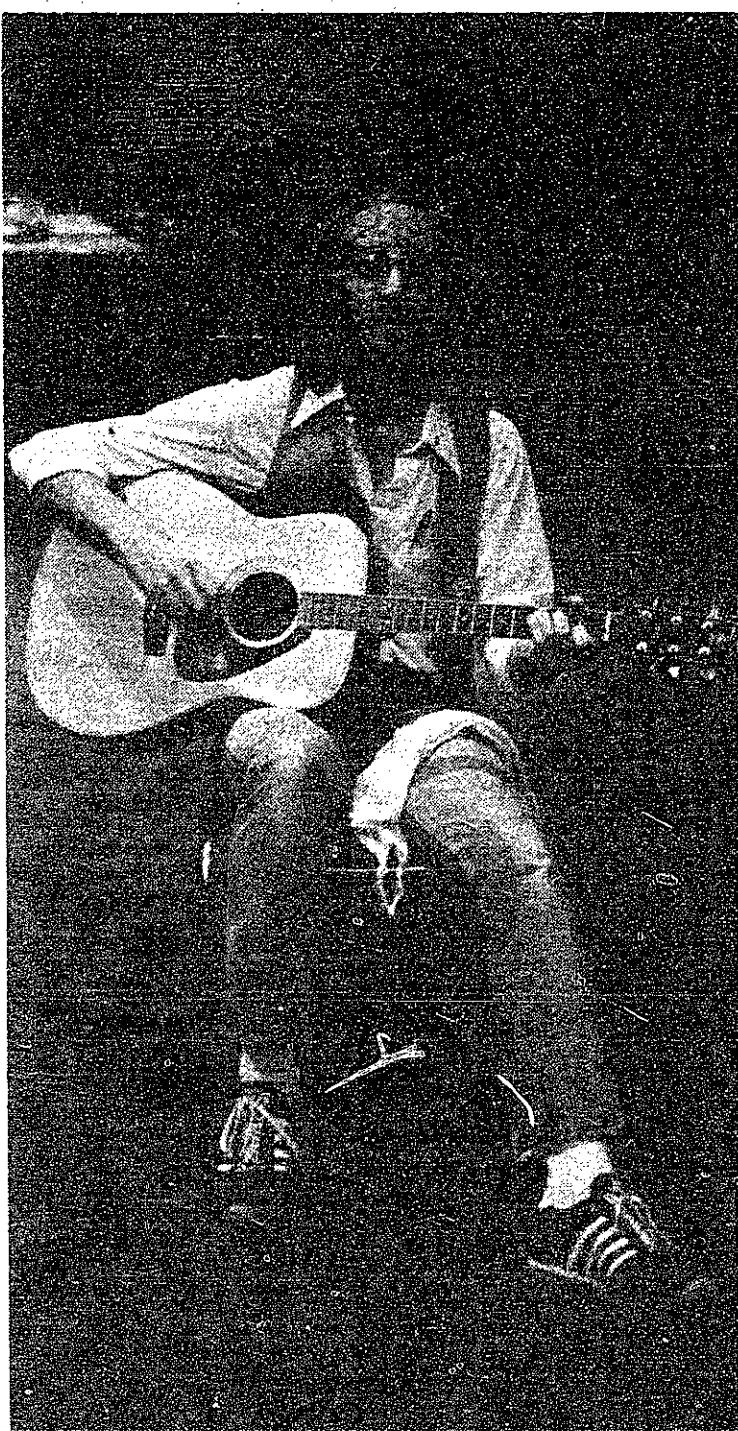
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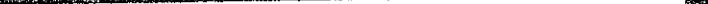
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sports

Sailors take sixth place in Schell Trophy

By David Kuller

Editor's note: David Kuller is a member of the sailing team.

Last Friday, fourteen teams converged at the MIT Sailing Pavilion to practice for the Schell Trophy. All the teams had qualified earlier this season, and the top six after this regatta will continue on the Atlantic Coast championships two weeks later.

In practice, the wind was strong and the racing tight, but as no one was paying particular heed to the right-of-way rules, there was a lot of banging around on the water.

Consistently near the top of the practice races was Tufts' sailor Stu Johnston who went out slow on Saturday but came back steaming on Sunday and ended up low-point A-division skipper of the regatta.

MIT started out with the home court advantage Saturday morning the constant downpour in gusty winds and opened an early lead after six races going into the noon-hour warmup. After eight more races in the rain, MIT went into Saturday night festivities in fifth place behind Tufts, Yale,

Navy and BU.

Sunday morning brought everyone back to the more pleasant sunny sky and very fluky light winds for the remaining day of competition. Mishaps compounded early and brought MIT's B-division coskippers Steve Dalton '81 and Ed Marcus '81 to reconcile their tensions and finish the day in eighth place in close divisional racing.

Inconsistent winds can expose one's lack of internal peace of mind. MIT's A-division skipper David Kuller '81 started the day

with several races where he was in the top three at the first mark, only to lose boats by the bunch on the rest of the course and collect a couple of double digit finishes. However, they finished off strong to end up third in their division.

With a combined overall finish

of sixth place, MIT qualified to continue on up to the Coast Guard Academy Nov. 17-18 for the Atlantic Coasts. Said coach Hatch Brown, "I'm quite proud of my young team's performance."

Ball control key to rugby team victory

By Cliff Tabin

Editor's note: Cliff Tabin is the coach of the women's rugby team.

The MIT women's rugby team defeated Tufts University Saturday by a score of 8-0. The win maintains the team's undefeated record against other colleges.

The game's style of play was dictated by the weather. Saturday's heavy rains made the ball very difficult to handle. The drenched field had already seen two games earlier in the day and had been reduced to a quagmire.

Between the wetball and lack of footing there was not much chance to develop a back attack. The game plan, therefore, called for controlling the ball among the MIT forwards.

The forwards rose to the occasion. Tufts was constantly under pressure as the Beavers played the whole game in Tufts' half of the field. Led by the aggressive play of Connie Cepko G, the pack played as a tight, cohesive unit. They set up mauls cleanly and were constantly pushing forward.

Given the field conditions, the backs played equally well. They shut off each of Tufts' attacks at its inception, and when they did get control of the ball, they made fine advances.

Nancy Breen '80 played extremely well. She scored the initial MIT try and was in support on the second one. Jan Hammond G also had an exceptional game. The MIT scrumhalf had several outstanding tactical kicks and she scored Tech's second try.

The score fails to reflect how fully MIT dominated the game. The women ruggers have shown great improvement in recent weeks and look strong going into the last few games of the season.

Octathlon debuts Monday

By Bob Host

The Intramural Council has announced the debut of a week-long, seven-sport competition which will start next Monday. The event, called Octathlon (an eighth sport had been scheduled but was cancelled), has 22 entries from various living groups.

The competition consists of four outdoor and three indoor sports. Football, soccer, ultimate frisbee, and softball comprise the former category; basketball, volleyball, and water polo make up the latter. Badminton was dropped from the schedule because it did not fit in with the nature of the competition, it was announced at last week's IM Council meeting.

Scoring follows a complicated pattern. The winning team receives 100 points; in addition, points are granted for a team's score in individual events. These range from doubling a team's basketball score to multiplying a team's soccer score by 25.

Each team is scheduled to play one game in each sport. The indoor sports are played Monday through Thursday nights in DuPont Gymnasium and at the Alumni Pool. The outdoor sports are played over the Nov. 17-18 weekend, with Saturday events starting at 8am and Sunday competition getting underway at 7am.

Forfeit penalties are stiff. A \$60 fine and elimination from the competition are assessed for the first offense. According to IM Chairman Peter Lemme '80, having a class at the time an event is scheduled is not grounds for ex-

emption. Lemme noted that he is looking for A-League caliber teams, although he will be satisfied with B-League quality. He wanted a serious commitment to the event, and for this reason the heavy forfeit fine was established. One house Athletic Chairman offered the view that

"When it's the only choice you have, punting a mandatory lab or punting Octathlon, what would you do?" and explained that his house Athletic Committee voted unanimously against the measure. However, despite this, Lemme is pleased with the response that Octathlon has received campus-wide.

In spite of a delayed start due to a race between the freshman heavyweight and lightweight squads and the cold and wet weather the regatta ran smoothly for the rest of the day.

In the largest event of the day, the junior eights, ATO successfully defended its title from last year's Class Day. After seven heats in the morning, the 36-boat field was reduced to eight shells for the final. At the start, all crews were off the line together with none gaining a significant lead. By the boat house, 400 meters into the race, the field was still tight. Passing the house, ATO rowed away with the race. The field finished more than a length of open water behind with Theta Chi (TC) rowing to a second place finish.

The intermediate eight event saw an extremely close race with

Baker House and TC battling it out. TC was declared the winner.

In the three-boat final of the women's eights, Number Six Club won with Baker House and McCormick following across the finish. The last event of the day, the elite eights, was rowed in the dark. This turned out to be an exciting race between the three crews of TC, Navy ROTC, and Phi Delta Theta (PDT). All three shells were away from the start cleanly. By the boathouse Navy had pulled out to a deck over TC and had a half-length over PDT. From there on, neither TC nor

PDT could move on Navy, which rowed on to win by three-quarters of a length over TC and third place PDT.

Even though the weather made conditions uncomfortable on the water, the racing in this year's Class Day regatta was of a high caliber. Since there were lengthy periods between races to allow ample time to dock shells and change crews (an uncomfortable period for spectators outside), the regatta managed to run well on schedule. Overall, participants and spectators alike had an exciting and enjoyable time.

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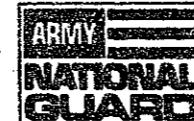
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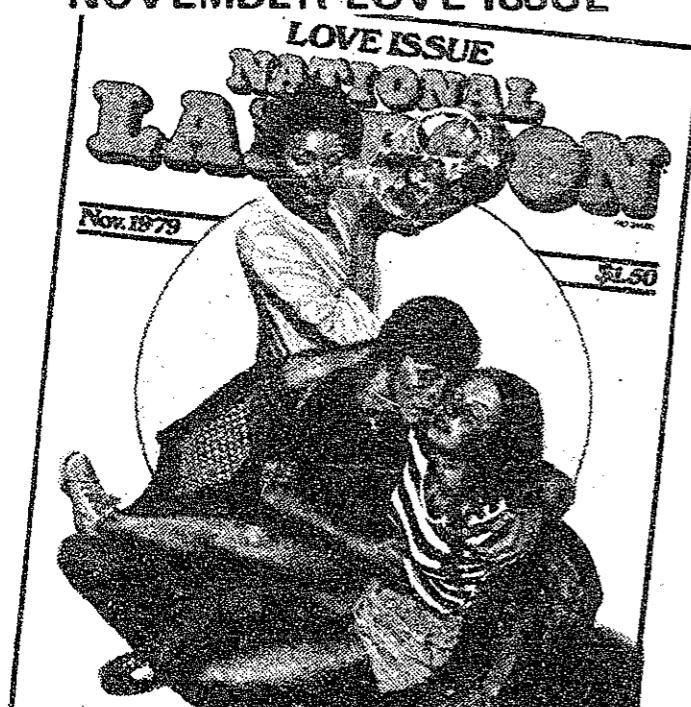
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